

REMARKS

In the Restriction Requirement mailed on July 14, 2010, the Examiner required election between six (6) groups of claims (i.e., I-VI), which are not reiterated, herein.

In response, Applicants elect the claims of Group I, drawn to an isolated natural perhydrolase enzyme, with traverse. The Restriction Requirement is traversed because the claims of Group II, drawn to a modified perhydrolase enzyme, could readily be searched at the same time as the claims of Group I, drawn to a natural perhydrolase enzyme. The claims of Groups I and II are clearly linked by a common feature, i.e., the structural and/or functional characteristics of the parent perhydrolase enzyme.

In the second part of the Restriction Requirement, the Examiner further required election of one of the modified proteins of SEQ ID NO: 2, as recited in claim 10. However, since the claims of Group I are drawn to an isolated natural perhydrolase enzyme, the requirement for election of a modified protein of SEQ ID NO: 2 cannot logically apply to the claims of Group I. Applicants' attorney confirmed with the Examiner by telephone on September 14, 2010 that the second part of the Restriction Requirement would not apply to the claims of Group 1.

If the Examiner has any questions about Applicants' Response to the Restriction Requirement, or future prosecution matters, he is encouraged to contact the undersigned. The USPTO is authorized to charge any fees that may be required or credit of any overpayment to be made to Deposit Account No. **07-1048**.

Respectfully submitted,

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